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TO COUNTY ASSESSORS:

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR 1985-86 ROLL

Assembly Bill 3741 (Chapter 1164, Statutes of 1984) changed the relevant period used to determine the "percentage change in the cost of living" for the purpose of annually adjusting the taxable value of real property for property tax purposes.

Previously, the relevant period was defined as the percentage change from April 1 of the prior year to April 1 of the current year in the California Consumer Price Index for all items, as determined by the California Department of Industrial Relations. The new relevant period is December of the prior fiscal year to December of the current fiscal year.

We have been informed by the Labor Statistics and Research Division of the Department of Industrial Relations that the index for the new relevant period was 320.1. This is an increase of 5.1 percent from the 304.6 index of December 1983. Therefore, the annual index for this year's relevant period allows the maximum adjustment of 2 percent.

Please call our Technical Services Unit at (916) 445-4982 if you have questions about this index.

Sincerely,

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